

REMARKS

Before amendments herein, claims 1-66 are pending. Claims 8-14, 20-62, 63, and 66 are cancelled. No new claims are added. Claims 1-7, 15-19, 64 and 65 remain pending after amendments herein.

Election/Restriction

The claims are subjected to a restriction/election requirement under 35 U.S.C. §121 as containing two patentably distinct groups of the claimed invention:

- I. Claims 1-7, 15-19, 64 and 65, are drawn to hashing a body of text, classified in class 711, subclass 216; and
- II. Claims 8-14, 20-62, 63, and 66, are drawn to manipulation (recognition and detection) of a body of text, classified in class 382, subclass 181.

Applicant hereby elects to prosecute Group I in the event that the restriction/election requirement as set forth above is maintained. Claims 1-7, 15-19, 64 and 65 read on Group I.

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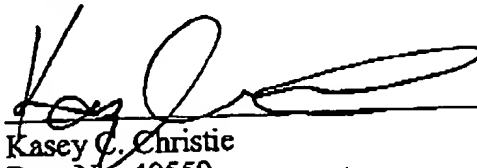
All pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the application. If any issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the Office is urged to contact the undersigned attorney before issuing a subsequent Action.

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